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1. DURING A LENGTHY LUNCHEON, SECRETARY GENERAL GAJA OF THE FOREIGN MINISTRY MENTIONED TO THE AMBASSADOR THAT EVEN THE FRENCH ARE NOW PREPARED TO ACCEPT A DEPUTY FOREIGN MINISTER' S MEETING ON AN ATLANTIC DECLARATION IF BILATERAL CONSULTATIONS INDICATED THAT SUCH A MEETING WOULD BE USEFUL. GAJA NOTED THAT THE ITALIANS ARE READY AND WILLING TO HAVE BILATERAL DISCUSSIONS WITH THE UNITED STATES ON THIS MATTER. HE WOULD LIKE TO KNOW WHEN WE COULD START. IN THIS CONNECTION, DIRECTOR GENERAL FOR POLITICAL AFFAIRS DUCCI WILL BE IN WASHINGTON NEXT WEEK FOR DAVID ABSHIRE' S MEETING AT GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY AND WOULD THUS
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BE AVAILABLE FOR CONSULTATIONS. GAJA SAID AMBASSADOR ORTONA HAD TALKED TO THE NSC STAFF ON THIS.

2. GAJA INDICATED THAT THE ITALIANS HAVE A FAIR IDEA OF THEIR EUROPEAN PARTNERS THINKING BUT HAVE NOT GONE VERY FAR IN PREPARING THEIR OWN POSITION ON THIS MATTER. THEY WOULD LIKE TO TALK TO US TO CLARIFY SOME POINTS AND OBTAIN OUR IDEAS BEFORE FORMULATING THEIR OWN VIEWS.

3. COMPLAINT VOICED BY DAVIGNON (REFTEL) STRIKES A RESPONSIVE CORD HERE. WHILE THE ITALIANS HAVE NOT BEEN EXPLICIT, WE HAVE STRONG IMPRESSION THAT THEY ARE NOT HAPPY WITH SPECIAL ATTENTION WE HAVE GIVEN FRENCH WHO ARE ALWAYS OPPOSING US POLICY INTERESTS WHILE ITALIANS WHO USUALLY TRY TO SUPPORT OUR POSITIONS ARE OFTEN NOT CONSULTED.
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